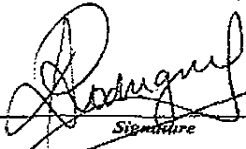
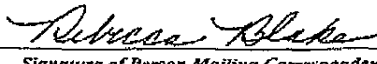


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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Advisory Action, received on November 20, 2003. Applicants believe that the present amendment places the application in better position for allowance. Please amend the Application as follows: